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Director of Training

27 January 1956

Chief, Medical Staff

Eligibility for the JOT Program

- 1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 28 November 1955, on this subject. All medical dispositions on JOTP candidates for the last six months were reviewed and then members of my staff met with the Chief, JOTP to discuss your request.
- 2. As a result of these discussions, we understand that this does not reflect any change in the basic concept of the JOTP, but simply permits the addition of programs of limited utilisation for a few candidates otherwise qualified, who may not for medical reasons be able to travel overseas. We also understand that in such cases, there will be a clear recognition of such limitations by the individual concerned prior to his entering on duty in the program, and that the Office of Training will be responsible for documenting this fact.
- 3. The review of our records shows that essentially the Medical Staff has been reporting its dispositions as you request. There are one or two additional categories necessary, such as when cases are referred to the Medical-Security-Personnel Review Panel for adjudication. There is no reason at this time why we can not continue to forward such dispositions.
- 4. In connection with this, I would like to direct attention to what we consider to be a most successful liaison between Chief, JOTP and those members of my staff, who are responsible for selection. Through this liaison, all JOT cases, particularly those with borderline or questionable qualifications, are discussed with mutual exchange of information. There have been few cases where unanimity of opinion is not reached. It is urged that such liaison will be even more important in those cases where you plan to admit an individual to the program on a limited basis.

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